GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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MARINE MANGROVE PARK IN MUMBAI
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any requests/ proposals from any Public Representatives or any other agency to provide financial and technical assistance through Indo-Canada Environment Project in Mumbai;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any proposal for Marine Mangrove Park has been submitted to the officials of Indo-Canada Environment Project;

(d) if so, the details indicating the observations made in this regard;

(e) the manner in which financial assistance is to be provided for the project along with its extent; and

(f) whether any expert advice has been sought for in this regard and if so, the details indicating the view point of the authority?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) & (b) A proposal for establishment of a Marine Mangrove Park in 1000 hectares in Mumbai along with a Mangrove Education Centre, series of watch towers, guided cruises for visitors , an information Centre, marine aquarium , library and other facilities for visitors to make it a tourist attraction, has been received.

(c), (d), (e) & (f) The proposal was forwarded to India-Canada Environment Facility (ICEF) for consideration for fundingIn view of fund constraints as well as the fact that ICEF was already funding two Mangrove Conservation Projects on East Coast and West Coast of the Country, it has not been considered feasible by them to support yet another project.